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SUBJECT: NEW DEPUTY MINISTER OF INDUSTRY AND ELECTRICITY NAMED

1. YUSSEF ABDULLAH HAMAD, DEPUTY DIRECTOR-GENERAL, SAUDI GOVERNMENT RAILROAD ORGANIZATION (SGRO) TOLD CONGENOFF SEPT 7 THAT HE HAS BEEN NAMED THE NEW DEPUTY MINISTER OF INDUSTRY AND ELECTRICITY (MIE) RESPONSIBLE FOR ELECTRIC POWER MATTERS. HAMAD NOTED THAT HE WILL LEAVE HIS PRESENT ASSIGNMENT ON SEPTEMBER 27 AND WILL REPORT TO RIYADH IN EARLY OCTOBER AFTER A SHORT VACATION.

2. COMMENT: HAMAD, US EDUCATED, HAS WORKED HIS WAY UP THROUGH THE RANKS OF THE SGRO TO HIS PRESENT POSITION. HE IS CONSIDERED THE REAL POWER WITHIN THE SGRO AND IS KNOWN AS A HARD-CHARGING, TOUGH ADMINISTRATOR WHO GETS THINGS DONE. AN ELECTRICAL ENGINEER BY TRAINING, HE SEEMS IDEALLY SUITED FOR HIS NEW POSITION. IN MOVING HAMAD INTO DEPUTY MINISTER POSITION IN MIE, MINISTER GHAZI AL-GOSAIBI HAS PULLED IN A MAN WHO WORKED CLOSELY WITH HIM WHEN HE WAS DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF SGRO AND ONE WHO APPEARS TO BE A MAN CUT FROM THE SAME BOLT OF CLOTH AS THE MINISTER HIMSELF.

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3. BIO REPORT WILL FOLLOW WHEN SUFFICIENT INFORMATION IS AVIALABLE.

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